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John Muir is here. He is a guest of Captain George P. Ahern, U. S. A., chief of the forestry bureau, at his home in Calle Gallera. He will stay only two days, and his remaining more than a few hours is due to Captain Ahern's insistent hospitality.

John Muir is one of the greatest naturalists in the world. His name is a household word wherever a student of botany, a geographer or explorer lives, and his fame is founded on enduring lines. The great glacier in Alaska named after him, which will probably exist as long as does this sphere, is the most striking monument to his work and character.

He is a Scotchman by birth, 66 years old, and was educated in Scotland and Wisconsin. He went to Alaska in 1879 and spent 20 years there engaged in exploration. He located nearly 70 glaciers among the Sierra peaks where the leading geologists thought there were none. He discovered Glacier Bay and the great glacier called Muir glacier. He is the author of the Mountains of California, and several hundred other articles on the natural history of the Pacific Coast, Alaska etc.

When President Roosevelt went to California a year ago, he asked Muir to accompany him to the Yosemite valley, and Muir alone. He esteems Muir highly, and believes him the closest to nature of any man he knows. Muir went with Roosevelt but had to cut short his stay as he had booked some months in the study of Russia, whither he went with Sargen

the great naturalist. They spent some months in the study of Russian forests and Muir parted from Sargent at Hongkong and went alone to Singapore. Then by easy stages he traveled through India, Egypt and the nearby countries observing the natural features which struck him and storing in his wonderful mind the comparison with other countries' growths. He drifted to Australia and New Zealand and was on his way to Hongkong from there when found in Manila by Captain Ahern himself a naturalist of note. Ahern would not hear of his continuing his journey on the Empire but persuaded him to remain for the Rubi. Yesterday Muir and Ahern went to Limao, in Bataan province, where the forestry bureau has an experimental station. Muir said last night at the Cablenews office that he had had a redietter day, having seen strange plants and trees of greatest interest.

He wishes he could stay and see more of the Philippines but has planned to return to California at once on the Siberia. Seldom has such a distinguished visitor been in Manila. The encyclopedias say that he was a famous man twenty years ago. 06869